



# CENTRAL JERSEY TROUT UNLIMITED TRIPS 2008

DATES	TRIP	COMMENTS	OPENINGS	COST	CONTACT
May 15,16,17,18	Kettle/ Young Womens/ Pine Creeks PA	Stay at Yesterday's or B&B	8	\$ 300	Coordinator TBA, in interim contact Hal Fish (732) 549-1293
May 25	Little Bushkill, Resica Falls PA	One day excursion to fabled PA free stone water	10	\$30	Hal Fish (732) 549-1293
June 12,13,14,15	Spring Creek, PA	Stay at Autoport Motel	8	\$ 300	Hal Fish (732) 549-1293
July 11, 12, 13	Yellow Britches, PA	Couples weekend. Includes double occupancy, most meals and entertainment	6	\$ 500	Hal Fish (732) 549-1293
Aug. 14, 15, 16, 17	Farmington River, CT	Stay at Hillside Motor Lodger, \$ 65 per night, double occupancy.	8	\$ 300	Hal Fish (732) 549-1293
September TBA	West Branch, Delaware River NY	Overnight and one day float trip on West Branch	6	\$ 300	Stuart Shafran (732) 500-5239
Oct. 2, 3, 4, 5	Catskill Mountains Primer, NY	Fall fishing on the Beaverkill and Willoemoc Rivers	6 or 8	Lodging TBD	Stuart Shafran (732) 500-5239

Note: All trip participants are responsible for acquiring the necessary state fishing license. Posted costs reflect approximately what you can expect to spend for the trip in lodging(shared rooms), flies, gas and basic meals.

Back by popular demand! We will once again be offering stream-side tours to chartered and uncharted waters within a few hours drive from home to chapter members, their relatives and friends. Our first tours will be held at Point Mountain, Port Murray, NJ, Valley Forge, PA, and Lake Hopatcong, headwaters of the Wild and Scenic Musconetcong River. I know that many you think you are familiar with Point Mountain, but have you ever hiked the Mountain? We will be visiting places that the entire family could enjoy, and a spot or two to for solitude. As of yet, no dates have been selected. We hope to resurrect the program within the next couple of months. Anyone interested should contact Stuart Shafran, [s2rtflyfisher@verizon.net](mailto:s2rtflyfisher@verizon.net), or Hal Fish (732) 549-1293.

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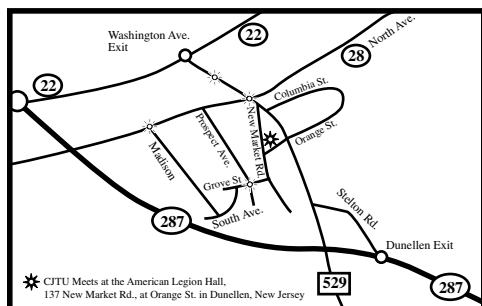
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**Future Speakers for 2008:**

**November - Rich Murphy "Striper Magic"**



# NEW JERSEY MAINSTREAM

SUMMER EDITION 2008

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**May 13,2008: Matt Grobert Author Of The Long Awaited Guide “Fly Fishing New Jersey Trout Streams” Tonight Presents “Primary New Jersey Hatches and How to Fish Them”**

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**June 10,2008: Kelcey Burguess Black Bear Project Leader For New Jersey’s Division Of Fish & Wildlife Presents A Program Entitled “Black Bears On The Fly - Minimizing Conflicts, Managing Encounters”. Know Before You Hit the Stream.**



CJTU is one of New Jersey’s leading conservation and advocacy groups leading the fight to protect cold-water fisheries and their environments. Our members represent a diverse cross-section of New Jersey and its surrounding areas, but all of us are joined together by a love of trout fishing and a commitment to preserve cold-water fisheries for future generations.

Our mission is to conserve, protect and restore New Jersey’s cold water fisheries and their environments. In order to achieve our goals, we conduct habitat improvement projects, stream clean-ups, and educational programs among other activities. We strive to educate the next generation about the importance to preserve clean water and wild trout. While engaged in conservation efforts, we manage to have a lot of fun, whether at monthly meetings, chapter fishing trips, or stream projects. We invite you to join us.

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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

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Dear C.J.T.U. Members

I am pleased to announce that our electronic version of Main Stream is about to make its début. This will most likely be the last regular print addition of Main Stream you will receive in your mailbox. There may be special editions of the newsletter that we send out periodically, but it is our intention to rely on electronic media to get our message out. As previously discussed this decision is being driven by a financial need more than anything else. The rising costs of printing and postage have made it impossible to continue printing and mailing our newsletter.

I encourage each and every one of our members to share their e-mail address with us. Be assured we will respect your privacy. Your e-mail address will not be shared with anyone! We will not be flooding your inbox with unwanted advertising. The only correspondence from us will be the monthly newsletter and perhaps a notice on a T.U. related concern if something comes up between editions of Main Stream that require immediate action.

Our Board of Directors have been working hard developing a feature rich format for the new electronic version of Main Stream. Part of this project also involves redesigning our website, which I am happy to say is underway. Now you will be able to view our newsletter as intended, in full color and if an article includes a link to a resource on the web you will be able to direct yourself to that link right from the article.

At this point some of you may be asking, how do I go about signing up for the new Main Stream? It's easy...simply visit our website <http://www.cjtu.org/>. On our home page you will see a box prominently displayed that reads "Sign up for our newsletter". Just enter your e-mail address and hit the "go" button, that's all there is to it. As an added incentive anyone who provides us with an e-mail address will be automatically entered into a free rod raffle. We

will be collecting addresses through the spring and

summer and we will select the lucky CJTU member when we launch the electronic version of Main Stream in the fall. So stay involved, stay informed and sign up for Main Stream today!

Obviously there is more going on than changes to the newsletter format. Last month we wrapped up our annual fundraising effort. We raised almost \$5,000.00 through our raffle. I want to personally thank each and every one of you who supported your chapter by purchasing tickets.

C.J.T.U had a presence at the Pequest Open House at the end of March. Our members helped out with the kids fishing down at the pond and also demonstrated fly tying to the scores of folks that showed up over that weekend. We also participated in a clean-up of the Musconetcong River during the month of April. I don't have the final numbers yet but I heard it was a successful outing. We will also be involved in the stocking of the Point Mountain section of the Musky. We will be out every Friday until the end of May assisting with the stocking of fish in that section of the river.

What's happening in the future? In the fall we hope to be hosting a Kid's Fishing day but that depends on what is going on with the hatchery. Budget cuts could affect our ability to utilize that facility. There will be a CJTU barbeque this fall. We are hammering out the details and should have some info for you in the weeks to come. That is about it for now. Take a break from fishing and come out to a meeting.

As always, if anyone has a need to contact me I can be reached via e-mail at [bartlombardo@optonline.net](mailto:bartlombardo@optonline.net).

Tight Lines !

*Bart*

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## FLIES FOR SUMMER

TIED BY RON RUSKAI



Both patterns use the following:  
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Hook – Mustad 34007, Size 1

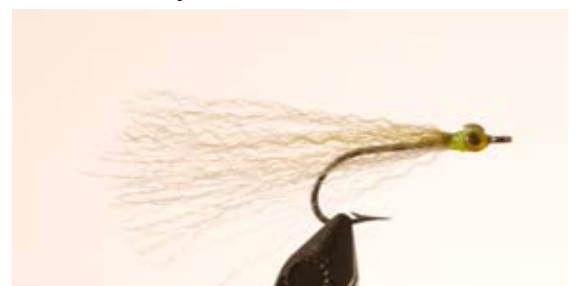
### PICKEREL FLY #1

Body - Mylar Tubing  
Wing - White Fiber  
over Chart. Fiber over  
Chart Krystal Fiber  
Eyes- 1/8


### SALTWATER #1

Wing - Ultrahair, Olive  
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Polar Bear  
Eyes - 1/8

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Due to staffing hours reductions at the Pequest Hatchery there may not be any programs run on Saturdays or Sundays after July 1st. So, please check online or contact Ozzie at [cutredd@comcast.net](mailto:cutredd@comcast.net) to find out the latest update.

**The Pequest Hatchery is accesable off Route 46, nine miles west of Hackettstown and about 4 miles east of the intersection with Route 31 in Butzville.**

### **FREE FISHING WEEKEND**

Saturday and Sunday June 7th and 8th

### **FLY CASTING CLINIC FOR BEGINNERS -- FREE !!**

Saturday, July 19th 12 noon - 4pm

Saturday, August 16th 12 noon - 4pm

### **CJTU KIDS FISHING EDUCATION DAY -- FREE !!**

Saturday, September 20th 10am - 3pm



Kids Fishing Education Day is a special program for family members of Central Jersey Trout Unlimited. We always get a great turnout, rain or shine! All children age 8 or over that are family of CJTU members can also invite a friend to come along. Please let Ozzie know if you will be attending and how many family members/guests you will be bringing. All chapter members are invited to assist the youngsters. A pizza lunch will be provided.

We will have spin casting outfits for the kids, with barbless hooks, and we also supply the worms. Lures are not allowed. You can bring a fly rod or bring your own fishing outfits, as long as there is someone accompanying your youngster. Safety glasses are supplied for those that aren't wearing plain glasses or sunglasses.

For information on all programs during the year, and there are many that not just in the fishing category (and they are all free): Snakes of New Jersey, Owl Prowl, Owl Pellets and what they eat, Butterflies and Moths, Life cycle of the Monarch butterfly, Indoor fossil hunt, Trees of NJ, Birds of NJ, Black bears, and more, visit [www.state.nj.us/dep/fgw/budding.htm](http://www.state.nj.us/dep/fgw/budding.htm) .

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### **New Zealand continued:**

Greg used a variety of size 12 and 14 flies, both dries and nymphs. Dries used included Elk Caddis, Big Humpys, Adams, Royal Wulff and the Patriot- a fly sent to me by Charlie Meck. It attracted a lot of big Browns. Nymphs consisted of Goldheaded Hare's Ears, Goldheaded Pheasant Tails, Stoneflies, and Manuka Beetles. These beetles were so common that we were able to shake them off shrubs along the river where the fish loved them!

We floated the Watukituki, another wide, deep, gin-clear river with many heavy fish the third day; and hiked the Hawea on the fourth and rainy day where we saw the first other fishermen of the trip. We were able to sight and stalk more fish on this day.

Greg kept me into fish, often changing flies or adding a rig of dry and nymph trailing to my tippet. He seemed to anticipate what fly would work in the next stretch of water. For the summer season he charges \$475 per day and \$1120. for the overnight. (New Zealand dollars) That includes meals and everything needed for the overnight.

My fishing trip was very satisfying and successful. I have fished with many guides from Alaska to Belize, the Bahamas, Maritime Provinces, to many northeastern and western rivers and rate him as a top guide who kept the trip very interesting and a great experience.

Greg claims that fishing in the Wanaka area of New Zealand, nestled under the Aspiring National Park and the banks of Lake Wanaka, and not too far from the region where "Lord of the Rings" was filmed, is not just a fishermen's paradise, it is a paradise for everyone.

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The Gruendyke dam on the Musconetcong River was recently notched to prepare for a summertime removal. This dam has been located at this spot in the river since Colonial days. The original dam was thought to be wooden and we may have discovered one of the old timbers while the excavator was in the river. Today, several weeks after the notching of the dam, a riffle is now formed where a pond has stood for perhaps 200 years. After the MARCH 15 – JUNE 15 timeframe during which we are not allowed in the river, work will continue to fully remove this structure. In addition to the removal, two stone weirs will be constructed to mitigate the river's current drop at the dam as well as a 4 acre riparian restoration of the lands (pond) surrounding the upstream banks. Along with this dam, permits should be in place to remove the Seber Dam which is less than 1/2 mile upstream. Both are believed to be fully removed by early July of this year.



TU's new Musconetcong Home Rivers Initiative is now leading the charge for not only these two dams, but for the 2009 removal of the Finesville dam on the lower river. In addition to Finesville, where we recently received grants of \$30,000 from American Rivers/NOAA for a feasibility study and engineering work plus another \$237,000 from the NRCS (part of the USDA under the Farm Bill) towards the future removal and riparian corridor restoration, we are working with other dam owners as well. Dams are only one small component of the Home Rivers project. TU is working with 14 municipalities throughout the watershed under the federally designated Wild & Scenic Rivers through the newly formed Musconetcong River Management Council.

We are also working closely with the other towns that are not within the approx. 26 miles of W&S areas. Work being focused on includes riparian buffer plantings, and cattle abatement projects to keep cows from trampling stream banks on the main river and especially on Musky tributaries which are important brook trout spawning grounds. There is also an effort to pinpoint sources of other pollutants such as fecal coliform and e-coli and prevent them from entering the river from their source. Other work TU is focused on is to become certified as the state's temperature data collectors, thanks in large part to the efforts of the Central Jersey chapter. An additional 6 data loggers will be placed in the river by the end of May during which time we should receive our certification. This data can be used in several ways including showing lower temps after a dam removal or showing higher temps after an ill-conceived building project too close to the river's edge occurs. After the temperature monitoring becomes certified we will move to working with Rutgers, NJ School of Conservation and Centenary College to perform additional macroinvertebrate testing throughout the watershed. We will start with a baseline and monitor insect life during the course of this Home Rivers project. Macroinvertebrate studies are highly valued in determining the overall health of a river system and can tell many things about ongoing degradation as well as improvements due to restoration efforts. As you can see, there is much work to be done!

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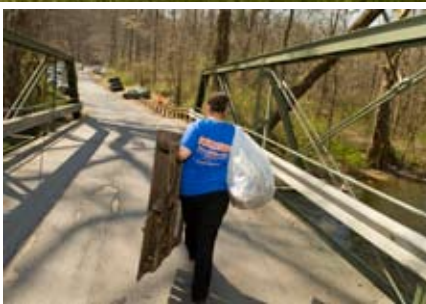
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Last year on my 80th birthday, my wife, Marilyn, gave me a birthday card that said, "Let's tour New Zealand where you can also fish!" We flew to Auckland from Los Angeles in November 2007 for a three-part trip arranged by AAA of New Jersey and Brendan Tours of California. We toured the North Island first, then left the tour to fish for the spectacular Brown and Rainbow trout near Wanaka; then resumed the trip touring the South Island before flying to Christchurch for a few days before the flight back home to Los Angeles.

We started in Auckland and then went to Waitomu and Rotorua to enjoy many fascinating experiences such as the Bay of Islands, the Maori culture and other attractions. A flight for a few days in Queenstown on South Island completed the first part of our touring. We went to Wanaka to meet my fishing guide for the second part of the tour. Wanaka is a beautiful resort town on the shores of Lake Wanaka, and is surrounded by snow-capped peaks near the guide's base of operations.

I hired Greg Dougherty last March because of a glowing account of his guiding in the Angling Report. His company is "Alpine Fishing Guides" serving the Wanaka to Queenstown area. The Website: [www.driftfishingnz@aol.com](http://www.driftfishingnz@aol.com), E-mail: [Greg@driftfishingnz.com](mailto:Greg@driftfishingnz.com), and telephone 027-652-5617.

His service provides all equipment, flies, lunches and assistance to finding lodging, etc. He is one of the few guides certified to fish the Clutha, a large, very fast, deep and clear river. Most of the banks were overhung, so wading was seldom possible. We drifted close to the shore to cast under the overhanging willows and only beached the raft for lunch or to wade along some of the rapids and pools where stalking and sight fishing were often possible. We began the first day with a boat-safety session and wearing life jackets.

Fishermen can expect to hook up to fifteen fish on average at 2 to 6 pounds and land 5 or 6. I caught more Browns than Rainbows. Most of the time we drift-fished which was better for me as my 81 years are beginning to catch up. We began the four days of fishing in the first week of December- the beginning of the summer season there.

Greg would pick me up round trip each day at the Bella Vista Motel. This is a very pleasant centrally-located motel. While I was fishing, Marilyn spent time embroidering, reading, shopping for gifts for the grandchildren, in the Wanaka Library on the internet and locating one of the many fine restaurants for dinner. We always had a happy hour to review our day before dinner.

The first two days of fishing began with an overnight on the Clutha River for the famed Caddis hatch at dusk. After finishing on the water, pitching the tents and cooking an early steak dinner, we went down to the river for the Caddis hatch. The Caddis were hatching beyond the heavy currents in mid-river, but did not make their appearance on our side, so we decided to take a walk on the grounds along the side of the river. We noted many large holes about 8 inches in diameter dug into the banks and usually in pairs by rabbits that have overpopulated many areas, as the kangaroos have done in Australia. The rabbits kept the river banks clipped so short, it created a mowed lawn appearance in the wilderness.

I enjoyed Greg's boat handling, a style of always keeping me in a casting position for the likely spots. While there were not many fish in each pool, there were enough to provide constant action. After being hooked, they jumped repeatedly and ran with vigor. We had times wading along a rapids or pool, where fish were clearly visible either singly or stacked up in rows of four to six in the few open and shallow areas. In most cases the river became very deep after a few steps from shore. It was a thrill for me when Greg would say, "You are going to love this pool, Dave." I usually did!

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